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In the application of) Group Art Unit 1744

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The Applicant hereby request an extension of time, pursuant to 37 C.F.R.§ 1.136(a), in order to file a response to the Office Action mailed on April 30, 2003 within the second additional month. A two month time extension would cause the response to be due on September 30, 2003. A check in the amount of \$410.00 is enclosed for the pertinent fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a).

This request is not interposed for purposes of delay, but is mandated by the schedules of the Applicant and his attorney. Accordingly, favorable action on this request is believed to be in order.

AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT

The Director is hereby authorized to charge payment of any fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 18-0987.

Respectfully submitted,

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